

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?  
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**Philippians 4:8-AMP.**

For the rest, brethren, whatever is **true**, whatever is **worthy of reverence** and is **honorable** and **seemly**, whatever is **just**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely** and **lovable**, whatever is **kind** and **winsome** and **gracious**, if there is any virtue and excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, **think on and weigh and take account of these things [fix your minds on them].**

Passion – 8 So **keep your thoughts continually fixed** on all that is authentic and real, honorable and admirable, beautiful and respectful, pure and holy, merciful and kind. And **fasten your thoughts on every glorious work of God, praising him always.**

**The object is not retreat in an evil world, but soundness of thought/ mind in it.**

**1. WE MUST LEARN TO BRING OUR THOUGHTS CAPTIVE TO THE WORD OF GOD.**

**2Corinthians 10:4-5-AMP.**

**4** For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [*weapons of flesh and blood*], but they are mighty before God **for the overthrow and destruction of strongholds,**  
**5** [*Inasmuch as we*] **refute arguments** and **theories** and **reasonings** and every proud and lofty thing that **sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God;** and **we lead every thought and purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One), ...**

KJV-...Casting down ***imagination***, and every ***high thing (barriers)*** that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, ...

Passion – 4 ...Instead, our spiritual weapons are energized with divine power **to effectively dismantle the defenses behind which people hide.** **5** We can **demolish every deceptive fantasy that opposes God** and **break through every arrogant attitude** that is **raised up in defiance of the true knowledge of God. We capture, like prisoners of war, every thought** and **insist that it bow in obedience** to the Anointed One.

**2Corinthians 4:4-Passion**

...for **their minds have been blinded by the god of this age, leaving them in unbelief.** Their blindness keeps them **from seeing** the dayspring light of the wonderful news of the glory of Jesus Christ, who is the *divine* image of God.

**2. WE MUST LEARN TO THINK GOD'S THOUGHTS ABOUT OUR LIVES.**

**Psalm 139:23-24-AMP**

... Search me [*thoroughly*], O God, and know my heart! **Try me and know my thoughts!**

**24** And see if there is any wicked or hurtful way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Passion - 23 God, **I invite your searching gaze into my heart. Examine me through and through; find out everything that may be hidden within me.** Put me to the test and sift through all my anxious cares.

**24** **See if there is any path of pain I'm walking on, and lead me back** to your glorious, everlasting ways— the path that brings me back to you.

**Isaiah 14:24-AMP**

... The Lord of hosts has sworn, saying, Surely, **as I have thought and planned, so shall it come to pass, and as I have purposed, so shall it stand--**

Imagination - *the faculty or action of forming new ideas, or images or concepts of external objects not present to the senses; It means creativity, vision.*

**3. WE DETERMINE OUR DESTINY WITH THE SEED THAT WE SOW.**

**Galatians 6:7-8-CJB**

**7** Don't delude yourselves: no one makes a fool of God! **A person reaps what he sows.**

**8** Those who **keep sowing in the field of their old nature**, in order to meet its demands, **will eventually reap ruin;** but those who **keep sowing in the field of the Spirit will reap from the Spirit everlasting life.**

**Mark 4:14-AMP**

... The sower **sows the Word.**

**Luke 6:45-NLT**

... A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. **What you say flows from what is in your heart.**

The good news is that you can **dig up and replant.**

*Stay in the Word, think on the Word.*